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LADIES' DAY. FAIR SEX TURNS OUT IN FULL FORCE. TO-DAY'S RACE FEATURES. Appropriate Setting For The Champions.

Ladies' Day at Hongkong's annual race meeting started in an appropriate setting. There had been practically no rain since the previous day. When the programme was about to start, the sun shone brightly—tempered by a nice breeze—on the course and grounds, so that even disappointed punters were happy.

It being their day, ladies turned out in force, the majority arriving in time for the fourth event (the Ladies' Purse) with its time-honoured ceremony.

"This weather of yours is a regular surprise packet," observed an American visitor from Shanghai. "Yes, it's just nice for a champagne and sandwich lunch such as we have at home," replied his host.

Light tweeds, caped navy suits, the youthful "trotter suit," smartly tailored costumes, skirts with no tendency to increase even an inch or two in length, little lizard-bound shoes, and felt hats that might—in the distance—have been mistaken for the mere man's bowler, such were the features of what the ladies wore to-day. Those whose buttonholes of stable ribbons blended nicely with their clothes made exceedingly pretty pictures.

Of primary interest on the card was the Champions (8th race) in which the pick of the Derby griffins met the "old cracks" on level terms. In addition to the Ladies' Purse, there was also another coveted trophy—the Governor's Cup (third race).

Helped by the breeze, the wind had had the effect of hardening the course, this factor tending to faster times than yesterday.

His Excellency the Governor, Sir Cecil Clementi and Lady Clementi arrived shortly before the commencement of the first race and were met by Sir Paul Chater and Mr. H. Birkett.

Trophies Presented.

After the fourth race, those interested assembled at the grand stand.

Sir Paul Chater introduced Mr. "Tuddy" McBain to Miss Elma Birkett as the winner of the Ladies' Purse. Presenting the purse to the successful jockey, Miss Birkett said that she did so, on behalf of the ladies of Hongkong, and with the greatest of pleasure.

Mr. McBain thanked Miss Birkett and handed her a bouquet tied in the Jockey Club's colours.

Lady Clementi then presented Sir Paul with the Governor's Cup (won in the third race), remarking: "With greatest pleasure." Sir Paul replied, "This is the first one of yours that I have won and I hope it won't be last."

Touch of Epsom.

A real touch of Epsom-Downs was staged by an enterprising Cantonese near the course. He ran a hoop-la stall with cigarettes and preserved plums as the prizes, and was assisted by three charming "waitresses." A number tried a few shies while even the highest extended an inquiring look from their big cars. The "fun" lasted a few minutes till an Indian constable broke it up.

H. R. H. Prince George took part in the seventh race and was unplaced.

Champions Winner.

Mr. R. M. Austin, of Messrs. Jardine's, won the Champions Sweepstake of over \$28,000.

1.—The Grand Stand Stakes.—Winner \$600. Second \$200. Third \$100. For China ponies bona fide griffins of this meeting. Weight for inches as per scale. Winners of one race 7 lbs., of two or more races 10 lbs. extra. Subscription griffins of this meeting—winners no penalty, non-winners allowed 5 lbs. (Jockey allowance). Entrance \$10. Six Furlongs.

Mr. Dynast's King of Troy, 158 lbs. (Mr. Maitland) 1
Messrs. Dyer and Belth's Grey Steel, 163 lbs. (Mr. Maitland) 2
Mrs. L. Dunbar's Bay of Bellingham, 158 lbs. (Mr. Dallas) 3

2.—The Hongkong Stakes.—Winner \$2,000. Second \$300. Third \$200. For subscription griffins of this meeting. (W.I.) Winner of the Subscription Griffins Challenge Cup 7 lbs. extra. Unplaced runners at this meeting allowed 5 lbs. (J.A.) Entrance \$10. One Mile and a Half.

Messrs. Dyer and Belth's Total Abstinence, 163 lbs. (Lt.-Com. Thompson) 1
Mr. R. M. Austin's Home Call, 163 lbs. (Mr. Pollock) 2
Lady Chater's The Golden Pheasant, 155 lbs. (Mr. McBain) 3

3.—The Governor's Cup.—Presented by H.E. the Governor, with \$600 added for winner. Second \$300. Third \$200. For all China ponies. (W.I.) Winner at this meeting 5 lbs. extra. Unplaced starters at this meeting allowed 5 lbs. (J.A.) Entrance \$10. One Mile and a Quarter.

Sir Paul's Fantastic Dahlia, 163 lbs. (Mr. Moller) 1
Mr. R. M. Austin's Grey Knight, 160 lbs. (Mr. Maitland) 2
Messrs. Toeg and Priestley's Saucy Sue, 163 lbs. (Mr. Sokoloff) 3

4.—The Ladies' Purse.—Presented by H.E. the Governor, with \$400 added for winner. Second \$200. Third \$100. For China ponies. (W.I.) Winner at this meeting other than subscription griffins 5 lbs. extra. Jockeys who have won five or more flat races in Hongkong or China 5 lbs. extra. (J.A.) Entrance \$10. (About 7 furlongs; 55 yards.)

Sir Paul's Sunrise Dahlia, 163 lbs. (Mr. McBain) 1
Messrs. Belth and Lemarchand's Fireworks, 160 lbs. (Mr. Maitland) 2
Mr. Stanton's Bardon, 163 lbs. (Mr. Stanton) 3

5.—The American Cup.—Presented by American citizens resident in Hongkong, with \$400 added for winner. Second \$200. Third \$100. For China ponies bona fide griffins of this meeting. (W.I.) Winner of five or more races 7 lbs. extra. Subscription griffins of this meeting allowed 5 lbs. (J.A.) Entrance \$10. (About 7 furlongs; 55 yards.)

Messrs. Belth and Lemarchand's Grey Steel, 163 lbs. (Mr. Maitland) 1
Mrs. G. L. Bagram's Sunburst Rose, 152 lbs. (Mr. McBain) 2
Mr. L. Dunbar's Bay of Bellingham, 158 lbs. (Mr. Dallas) 3

6.—The Phoenix Stakes.—"A" Class Handicap. Winner \$600. Second \$200. Third \$100. For China ponies that have run at any extra meeting during 1925 and griffins on date of entry. Non-starters at this meeting barred. The race may be divided into two classes at the discretion of the handicapper. Entrance \$10. One Mile and a Quarter. Stakes to be the same for both classes.

Mr. R. M. Austin's Brigade, 163 lbs. (Mr. Maitland) 1
Sir Paul's Fantastic Dahlia, 164 lbs. (Mr. Moller) 2
Mr. Dynast's Spotted Sand, 148 lbs. (Mr. Halmovitch) 3

7.—The United Services Cup.—A Cup will be presented to the winner with \$400 added. Second \$250. Third \$150. For China ponies the bona fide property of and to be ridden by Officers of H.M.'s Regular Forces. "Fiducies" leased by Officers will, for the purpose of this race, be considered as the bona fide property of such Officers. Catch weights at 160 lbs. Entrance \$5. (About 7 furlongs; 55 yards.)

Reynolds, 160 lbs. (Mr. Sturges) 1
Lt. Comdr. C. R. Thompson's Halsbam, 160 lbs. (Lt.-Com. Thompson) 2
Mr. Cobbold's Christmas Eve, 160 lbs. (Mr. Cobbold) 3

8.—The Challenge Stakes.—Sweepstakes of \$50 each for starters with \$2,000 added for winner. Second \$1,000. Third \$500. For China ponies bona fide griffins of this meeting. (W.I.) Winner at this meeting 5 lbs. extra. Jockeys who have won five or more flat races in Hongkong or China 5 lbs. extra. (J.A.) Entrance \$10. (About 7 furlongs; 55 yards.)

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Mr. Stanton's Bardon, 163 lbs. (Mr. Stanton) 3

9.—The Consolation Stakes.—Winner \$600. Second \$200. Third \$100. For China ponies that have started at least twice at this meeting and have not won. (W.I.) (J.A.) Entrance \$5. One Mile.

Messrs. Dyer and Belth's Rothsay, 155 lbs. (Lt.-Com. Thompson) 1
Sir Paul's Mystic Dahlia, 155 lbs. (Mr. Moller) 2
Mrs. R. M. Austin's Grey Streak, 152 lbs. (Mr. Pollock) 3

10.—The N.B. Desperado Stakes.—Winner \$600. Second \$200. Third \$100. For subscription griffins of this meeting that have started at least twice and have not won. (W.I.) (J.A.) Entrance \$5. Five Furlongs.

Lady Chater's The Sand Piper, 152 lbs. (Mr. McBain) 1
Messrs. Hall and Shenton's The Geizer, 158 lbs. (Mr. Maitland) 2

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Part-mutuel—
Winner \$11.40.
Places: 1st \$6.10; 2nd \$3.30; 3rd \$2.70.

5.—The American Cup.—Presented by American citizens resident in Hongkong, with \$400 added for winner. Second \$200. Third \$100. For China ponies bona fide griffins of this meeting. (W.I.) Winner of five or more races 7 lbs. extra. Subscription griffins of this meeting allowed 5 lbs. (J.A.) Entrance \$10. (About 7 furlongs; 55 yards.)

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Part-mutuel—
Winner \$7.20.
Places: 1st \$5.10; 2nd \$5.30; 3rd \$5.80.

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Part-mutuel—
Winner \$14.
Places: 1st \$6.50; 2nd \$6.

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Mr. Cobbold's Christmas Eve, 160 lbs. (Mr. Cobbold) 3

Part-mutuel—
Winner \$15.00.
Places: 1st \$8.10; 2nd \$10.30; 3rd \$12.30.

8.—The Challenge Stakes.—Sweepstakes of \$50 each for starters with \$2,000 added for winner. Second \$1,000. Third \$500. For China ponies bona fide griffins of this meeting. (W.I.) Winner at this meeting 5 lbs. extra. Jockeys who have won five or more flat races in Hongkong or China 5 lbs. extra. (J.A.) Entrance \$10. (About 7 furlongs; 55 yards.)

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Mr. Stanton's Bardon, 163 lbs. (Mr. Stanton) 3

Mr. B. D. F. Belth's Local Option, 158 lbs. (Mr. Maitland) 1
Sir Paul's Glorious Dahlia, 158 lbs. (Mr. McBain) 2
Messrs. Dyer and Belth's Grey Morn, 155 lbs. (Lt.-Com. Thompson) 3

Part-mutuel—
Winner \$3.80.
Places: 1st \$5.70; 2nd \$6.30; 3rd \$6.80.

9.—The Consolation Stakes.—Winner \$600. Second \$200. Third \$100. For China ponies that have started at least twice at this meeting and have not won. (W.I.) (J.A.) Entrance \$5. One Mile.

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Sir Paul's Mystic Dahlia, 155 lbs. (Mr. Moller) 2
Mrs. R. M. Austin's Grey Streak, 152 lbs. (Mr. Pollock) 3

Part-mutuel—
Winner \$15.10.
Places: 1st \$7.40; 2nd \$6.80; 3rd \$7.40.

10.—The N.B. Desperado Stakes.—Winner \$600. Second \$200. Third \$100. For subscription griffins of this meeting that have started at least twice and have not won. (W.I.) (J.A.) Entrance \$5. Five Furlongs.

Mr. Dynast's Sagamore, 158 lbs. (Mr. Doyle) 1
Mr. Dynast's King's Favour, 155 lbs. (Mr. Brodie) 2
Messrs. Hall and Shenton's The Gowk, 153 lbs. (Capt. Hall) 3

Part-mutuel—
Winner \$14.30.
Places: 1st \$7.90; 2nd \$4.50; 3rd \$3.20.

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HAVE YOU WON? To-day's Cash Sweeps At A Glance.

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For the convenience of those who are particularly interested in the cash sweeps at the race course, the results are given here in tabulated form.

Race I.
No. 789 \$1,250.20
138 357.20
11 178.60
Unplaced \$50.—No. 283.

Race II.
No. 839 \$1,832.20
494 395.20
516 197.60
Unplaced \$50 each.—Nos. 289, 61, 363, 438, 738, 97.

Race III.
No. 749 \$1,568.60
503 559.60
238 279.80
Unplaced \$50.—No. 551.

Race IV.
No. 1 \$2,207.80
861 306.80
109 315.40
Unplaced \$50 each.—Nos. 191, 826, 749.

Race V.
No. 392 \$4,271.40
125 1,220.40
796 610.20
Unplaced \$50.—No. 995.

Race VI.
No. 1480 \$4,267.40
108 1,216.40
1531 608.20
Unplaced \$50.—No. 457.

Race VII.
No. 1389 \$4,660.60
510 1,831.60
1144 665.80
Unplaced \$50 each.—Nos. 1288, 8, 1235, 618, 1184, 1224, 251, 520, 993.

Race VIII.
No. 385 \$2,844.60
1786 8,098.56
5257 4,049.28
Unplaced \$1,124.80 each.—19, 2089, 1001, 2584.

Race IX.
No. 621 \$4,152.40
1406 1,186.40
430 598.20
Unplaced \$50 each.—Nos. 736, 1120.

Race X.
No. 83 \$3,458.80
1272 986.80
673 498.40
Unplaced \$50 each.—Nos. 724, 1435, 1437, 924, 938, 487, 249, 1456, 1983, 289, 667, 41, 829, 1198, 626, 799, 1218.

Race XI.
No. 394 \$3,045
694 870
1058 438
Unplaced \$50 each.—Nos. 457, 984, 1084.

DUTCH POLITICS.

SOCIALISTS' DISSOLUTION MOTION. DEFEATED BY CHAMBER.

(Reuter's Service.)

The Hague, March 2.—The latest move to solve the Cabinet crisis has been made by the Social Democrats moving that the Second Chamber request the Queen to dissolve the Chamber with a view to holding fresh elections.

The motion was rejected by 70 votes to 24.

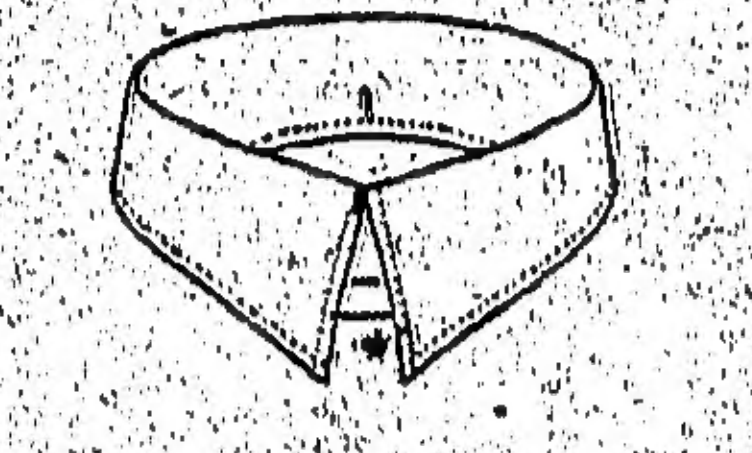
Jonkheer de Bagenhorp, the President in his opening address, congratulated the Queen and the Prince Consort on their silver wedding. He expressed sympathy with the victims of the recent floods and gratitude for their help from home and from abroad. He said that the flood relief fund had exceeded three million florins.

There was a clear bill of health as regards notifiable diseases for the 24 hours ended yesterday.

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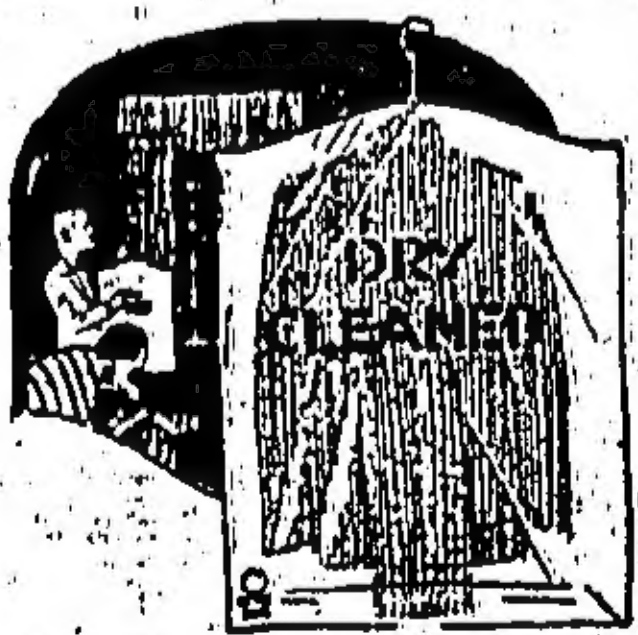
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Mrs. Leung Kam-hin and family desire to thank all friends for their beautiful floral tributes and kind attendance at the funeral and for other kind expressions of sympathy extended to them in their recent sad bereavement.

Hongkong, Wednesday, March 3, 1926.

TRADE REVIVAL.

Periods of stagnation invariably give place to revivals. It is a law as peculiar to religion as it is to trade. A revival in trade is long overdue. It has been predicted. It is coming. The things that are mainly responsible for trade depressions are beginning to disappear: warfare is being confined to a healthy rivalry in trade. The survival will be to the fittest—the fittest able to supply the best that the world needs. Two items of recent news point to trade revival. It is satisfactory to learn that 1,800 foreign buyers have left London in groups on a tour of the principal industrial centres of Britain. Many of them came to London and have occupied their time inspecting samples at the British Industries Fair in London, and also at Birmingham. The two fairs, between them, produced £20,000,000 worth of orders. It is expected that many more million pounds worth of orders will be placed direct by buyers when they call at factories. All this is certainly satisfactory. It suggests a trade revival which should reflect itself in the sum total of exports for the current quarter; in the list of unemployed and the consequent diminution in the dole. Of the number of representatives attending the two fairs mentioned it is of interest to note that the Fair East sent forty. America is a formidable competitor in the world's trade, not to be lightly despised. A gigantic "Foreign Investment Trust" is in course of

formation with a capital that will eventually exceed \$25,000,000. The Trust will operate in Europe as well as in Home "waters," and will provide credits to municipalities, land banks, public utilities, and old-established industries for periods exceeding the usual commercial time limits. Credit received a set-back with the war and the concluding armistice. It is the firm re-establishment of credit which should do much for trade and its revival, and which should go far to encourage the industrious and the enterprising to launch out into new ventures.

THEY SAY THAT—

My experience is that those who look for trouble can always get it. Not only will I look for peace and progress, but I shall—as I have always done—strive to secure it.—J. H. Thomas.

The tenderness of the mother is a reflection and an effect and a foretaste of the tenderness of God.—Master of the Temple, the Rev. W. H. Draper.

It is quite unnecessary to go to Australia or Central Africa to find the savage; he is our next-door neighbour.—Dean Inge.

When I hear a man say, "I am in favour of peace," but when I know he is really in favour of war.—W. Lyon Phelps.

I have never known people more hungry for spiritual food than they are now.—Dame Henrietta Barnett.

What matters is that each should do, not what, on the whole, might be the best thing for most men to do in a similar case, but the best thing that he, being just as he is, can do on an enthusiastic impulse of his own and as a genuine expression of himself.—C. E. Montagu.

HANDBAG LOST.

\$242 FROM MID-LEVEL RESIDENT.

POLICE NOTIFIED.

The theft has taken place of a handbag containing money and jewellery to the value of \$242 from No. 5, Tregenna Mansions, May Road, the residence of Mrs. J. H. Backhouse.

MEXICAN LAWS.

COOLIDGE HOPPEL OF SETTLEMENT.

(Reuter's American Service.)

Washington, March 2. It is learned at White House that President Coolidge sees no reason why the controversy between America and Mexico over the confiscatory provisions of Mexico's anti-alien and petroleum laws should be settled amicably. He understands that an examination of the records of the American State Department will show that the disputed points have not much of their original importance owing to recent developments.

FUNERAL RITES.

CHINESE PROTESTANT SERVICE.

LATE MR. LEUNG.

The interment took place yesterday afternoon at the Chinese Protestant cemetery at Pokfulam of the late Mr. Leung Kam-lun, of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd.

The burial service was conducted by the Rev. G. R. Lindsay, Vicar of St. Andrew's, Kowloon, who was assisted by the Rev. Li Kau-yun of St. Paul's Church.

The coffin was brought across from Kowloon by a lighter of the Godown Co. and landed at Jardine's Wharf, West Point where it was transferred to a hearse. Large crowds of mourners followed and the cortege came to a halt near the University, cricket ground where friends paid their last respects to the deceased gentleman.

Among those noticed were:—

Mr. F. H. Crapnell (Secretary, H.K. & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd.), Messrs. J. Hooper, T. Ferguson, E. H. Neave and A. W. Heron (of the Company's staff), Mr. Wong Kam-fuk, Mr. E. D. Kotwall, Mr. Lo Cheung-ly, Mr. Ho Wing, Mr. H. K. Hung, Mr. W. L. Ford, Mr. Henry Gittins, Mr. A. P. Greaves, Mr. Wong Tak-kwong, Mr. Shi Yu-man, Mr. Hung Hing-fat, Mr. Henry Lowcock, Mr. Wong Tong, Mr. Tai Ming-tak and many others.

Many Floral Tributes.

Among the very large number of floral tributes were those from the following:—

His sorrowing wife, John and Susie (son and daughter-in-law); Eva and Ivy (daughters); Phyllis, Hazel and Kenneth (grandchildren); Cyril, Douglas and Eva (nephews and nieces); Mr. F. H. Crapnell, the European Staff of the H.K. & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., the Chinese, and the respective departments of the Company; Sir Robert and Lady Ho Tung, the Hon. Dr. E. H. and Mrs. Kotwall, Mr. and Mrs. Ho Fook, Mr. and Mrs. Wong Kam-fuk and family, Mr. and Mrs. J. Hooper, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. El Bullock, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Tregillus, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Murray, Mr. and Mrs. Lo Cheung-shiu, Mr. and Mrs. Ho Wing, Mr. and Mrs. M. K. Lo, Mr. Ho Kwong, Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Kotwall and family, Dr. Wan Man-kai, Mr. F. T. Harris, Mr. S. H. Garrod, Mr. S. M. Churn, Mr. T. Ferguson, Mr. and Mrs. Tai Ming-tak and family, Mr. and Mrs. Wong Tak-kwong, Mr. Ho Leung, Mrs. Sin Tak-fan and family, Mr. and Mrs. Lo Cheung-ly, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Roberts, Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Ford, Mr. and Mrs. Lopes, Mr. and Mrs. McKenzie, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Van Bergen, Mr. T. Kato, Mrs. Larkinson and family, Mr. Ho Wah-tong, Mr. H. K. Hung, Dr. C. C. Wang, Mr. Hung Hing-fat, Mr. J. F. Grose, Mr. and Mrs. W. Hall, Mr. C. G. Anderson, Mr. J. M. Hall, Mrs. G. L. Litton and family, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Lo, Mr. W. W. Fox, Mr. Fung Tak-hang, Mr. H. S. Hall, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas May, Mr. L. L. Lopes and family, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Fattayda, the Misses Kotwall, Miss F. C. Woo, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Bux and family, Messrs. B. C. Randall and G. S. Zimmer, Mr. M. H. Lo, Mr. and Mrs. M. P. Lo, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. L. Ford, Mr. Li Fuk-shan, the Misses Lopes, Dr. M. B. Osman, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Lam, Miss H. D. Sawyer, Mr. Wong Kam-yung, Messrs. H. M. Kew and F. Schuster, Mrs. Edwards, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Hall, Mr. and Mrs. Lok Man-ly, Mr. Marine-Woo, Mr. Ho Lu, Mrs. Mackenzie and Lena, Mr. Shi Yu-man, Mr. W. A. Zimmer, Mr. C. M. Manners, Mr. She Tat-cheong, Mr. W. A. Fox, Mr. H. C. Hunt, Mrs. Shee and family, Mr. and Mrs. H. Gittins and family, Mr. Lo Ying-chuen, Mr. Ho Shung, Mr. Leung Yu-kwai, Mr. Fung Tak-on, Mrs. Thomas, Mrs. Varrelman, Mr. Li Chuk-man, Mrs. B. Abbas and family, The Chinese Club, Sik Ham Club, Chung Wah Club, Chinese Civil Service Club, the Kam Hing Knitting Factory, Kung On Wo Co., Ngan Shing Hing Co., Ngan Wing Loong Co., Chinese staff of the Colonial Secretary's office, Correspondence Department, P.W.D., Class III, Diocesan Girls' School, and some three hundred others.

KITCHEN ACCIDENT.

CHINESE COOK RECEIVES BURNS.

A Chinese cook in the employment of the To Yuen Restaurant, West Point, received severe burns to his face in an accident in the kitchen yesterday.

SHREDS AND PATCHES.

I went to Bristol and preaching having two or three On Slavery, quiet days, finished my sermon upon Conscience, wrote John Wesley on March 8, 1788.

On Tuesday I gave notice of my design to preach on Thursday evening, upon what is now the general topic, Slavery. In consequence of this, on Thursday the house, from end to end, was filled with high and low, rich and poor. I preached on that ancient prophecy, "God shall enlarge Japheth." And He shall dwell in the tents of Shem; and Canaan shall be his servant." About the middle of the discourse, while there was on every side attention as night, a vehement noise arose, none could tell why, and shot like lightning through the whole congregation. The terror and confusion were inexpressible. You might have imagined it was a city taken by storm. The people rushed upon each other with the utmost violence, the benches were broken in pieces, and nine-tenths of the congregation appeared to be struck with the same panic. In about six minutes the storm ceased, almost as suddenly as it rose. And all being calm, I went on without the least interruption.

It was the strangest incident of the kind I ever remember, and believe none can account for it, without supposing some preternatural influence. Satan fought lest his kingdom should be delivered up. We set Friday apart as a day of fasting and prayer, that God would remember those poor outcasts of men, and (what seems impossible with men, considering the wealth and power of their oppressors) make a way for them to escape, and break their chains in sunder.

"What three great 'Big Three' men have exerted the greatest influence in the world?" was question recently asked by the Y.M.C.A. Replies from 600 Japanese boys produced the

following list of votes:—
Christ 400
Buddha 249
Confucius 135
Napoleon 96
Maji Tenzo 81
Kaiser Wilhelm II 71
Thomas Edison 64
Others receiving more than 20 votes are: Jenner, George Stephenson, Abraham Lincoln, Benjamin Franklin, George Washington, Socrates, Columbus and Nogi, the Japanese general.

The intuitive instinct. Strongly is strongly developed. Developed, nowadays and Mr. E. S. Bates in the "Nation" gives a sample of how quickly we reach our conclusions:—

A clergyman, a judge, and a banker met one morning on the corner of a public square. There they beheld a shabbily dressed man, seated on a bench, reading a book.

"That fellow must be a communist," said the judge.

"Yes, and a socialist, too," said the banker.

"An anarchist as well," added the clergyman.

They hailed the president of the Society for the Prevention of Vice, who happened to be passing by.

"Yonder sits a communist, a socialist, and an anarchist, reading a lascivious book," they cried.

"How do you know it is a lascivious book?"

"Because," they answered, "he is a communist, an anarchist, and a socialist."

Which, although it has nothing to do with it, reminds the Shreds man of the story of the negro servant who assured her mistress that she had "sho' lost man instinct." On enquiry being made it transpired that a cold had temporarily deprived her of the sense of smell.

LOCAL DISTRAINT.

GOODS ORDERED TO BE RETURNED.

MRS. JORGE AS CLAIMANT.

The seizure of household effects at 3 Saifee Terrace, Kowloon, has a sequel in the Summary Court this morning when Mrs. G. C. Jorge claimed for the discharge or suspension of the distraint.

It was common ground in the case (in which Mr. J. A. Gordon Leask represented Mrs. Jorge's interests and Mr. D. McCallum the interests of the landlord, Kaimally and Co.) that \$92, two months' rent, was owing.

Mrs. Jorge said in the witness box this morning that she did not know at the time that her husband owed the money. The property which had been seized was that of her two infant children for whom she held it in trust. They were the beneficiaries under the will of her mother-in-law, Mrs. E. J. B. Jorge.

His Lordship: Your husband had no interest in these goods?

Mrs. Jorge: No.

Mr. McCallum: Is there anything in the house your husband could claim as his own?

Mrs. Jorge: No.

Mr. McCallum claimed that under common law, all goods were distrainable which were "in the apparent possession of the tenant."

His Lordship commented that so far as the bailiffs were concerned, they had done right to "seize" the property as it was in the "apparent possession" but in view of the facts as disclosed by Mrs. Jorge he had no option but to...

Mr. McCallum: If a landlord is not going to be permitted to distraint because goods belong in trust to someone else who has a beneficiary interest in the tenancy, it opens up a wide avenue to which there would be no end. A tenant could take premises, put in furniture and say they were someone else's. The possibility of fraud is unlimited. Under the law at home specific provision is made regarding the property of lodgers, strangers, etc., but even then the Court has to be satisfied that they have a beneficiary interest in the tenancy, property or premises. A decision in favour of the suspension of distraint will make the position of local landlords most difficult.

His Lordship, holding that he had no option in view of Mrs. Jorge's case, made an order for the release of the distraint to the claimant, half of the costs of the case to be paid by the landlord.

The Kaimally Administration informed that the total output of the Administration's mines for the week ending February 13 amounted to 111 tons, and the sales during the period to 57,477 tons.

QUITE GOOD.

ENTRIES FOR THE FLOWER SHOW.

THIS YEAR'S PROSPECTS.

"Given fine weather on March 11, we shall have a very good Flower Show," said Mr. E. B. C. Hornell (Honorary Secretary) to a "China Mail" man who enquired this morning, entries having closed on Monday.

"As I expected, the numbers from the Peak were less than those for last year, on account of prevailing conditions," remarked Mr. Hornell, who instanced the case of a resident who returned in mid-November last to find his garden "in a jumble."

Nevertheless, the entries from "down below" are extraordinarily good. There is disappointment in regard to the Amateur Cup which only attracted five entries.

Comparative statistics are:—
1925 1926
Number of exhibitors 53 59
Pot plants, open 189 176
Pot plants, Peak 157 195
Vegetables, open 115 95
Vegetables, Peak 86 164
Cut flowers, open 68 73
Cut flowers, Peak 45 65

ARMY ESTIMATES.

NEWSPAPERS FORECAST OF EXPENDITURE.

(British Wireless Service.)

Rugby, March 2. The Army Estimates for the next financial year beginning on April 1 will be issued within the next few days.

The newspapers anticipate that the net expenditure will be £22,500,000, representing a reduction of £2,000,000 on that of the current financial year.

OFFICIAL STATEMENT.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, March 2. Sir Laming Worthington-Evans, Secretary of State for War, in a speech at Salisbury, announced that the Army Estimates would be 42½ millions sterling compared with 44½ millions sterling for the current year. Administrative expenses would be cut down, but the fighting efficiency of the Forces would not be impaired.

CATHCART CASE.

HEARING OF PROCEEDINGS POSTPONED.

(Reuter's American Service.)

New York, March 2. The hearing of the habeas corpus proceedings in the case against the Countess of Cathcart has been postponed to Friday.

\$108,000 PRIZE.**LUCKY KOWLOON CHINESE GENTLEMAN.****ONE TICKET ONLY.**

Ticket No. 19,048 in the Chinese Club Derby sweep was purchased by Mr. Ip Kai-yiu, of Tsim-sha-teui, Kowloon. This number drew Glorious Dahlia, the winner, and Mr. Ip is to be congratulated on his luck as the prize is \$108,000.

From one of the leading members of the Chinese Club, the "China Mail" learns that Mr. Ip bought only one of these \$10 tickets. It is supposed that he did not have a preference for any special number but merely took one at random.

The second prize in the same Club (for about \$30,000) went to ticket No. 12,925, held by the "Kwan Fong-kuk Co." This number drew Pretty Polly (the defeated favourite who ran second). A "China Mail" reporter was informed that there is a gentleman by name of Mr. Kwan Fong-kuk in the Chung On Insurance Co. of Nam Pak Hong.

Mr. Kwok, of Messrs. Jack A. Tai, won the first prize in the Kowloon Chin Wa Athletic Association sweep, whilst Mr. Ho Shun-fong sold the second and third tickets to different people.

In the Comrades' Association, the first three prizes amounted to \$25,200, \$7,200 and \$3,600. Only one European name appears in the list of those who drew starters. Mr. Wong Yat-chor won the first prize.

Mr. Cheng Puk-seung, of Yee Sang Fat (Queen's Road Central), won the first prize of \$20,160 in the Sung Ching sweep of \$2.

The first prize in the Chinese Engineers' Institute was just under \$10,000. It is believed that all three big prizes went to members of the profession in Yumail and Hungnam.

As reported exclusively in yesterday's final edition, Lieut. A. J. L. Whyte bought the winning ticket (for over \$8,000) in the race course sweep on the Derby for himself and nine others in the Company office of the 40th Co., R.E., Wellington Barracks.

A local Pressman won the big prize of \$15,000 in the Jockey Club sweep and the Press-box in the members' enclosure yesterday was the scene of much animation as another journalist had won the first prize in the Craignower C.C. sweep.

K.C.C. Draw.

The Kowloon Cricket Club's sweep on the Derby was drawn as under:

1 Folly	590
2 Brigade Call	2923
3 Home Call	289
4 Sunburst Rose	593
5 Grey Steel	805
6 Fireworks	650
7 Elm Leaf	296
8 Bay of Bellingham	287
9 Boston	401
10 Tacoma	124
11 San Diego	652
12 Total Abstinence	471
13 Rechabite	294
14 King of Troy	292
15 King of England	575
16 Dobbin	701
17 Glorious Dahlia	474
18 Sunbeam Dahlia	198
19 Stalwart Dahlia	599
20 Fantastic Dahlia	501
21 Lady Love	463
22 Prince Charming	402
23 Craignav	596
24 Cultra	283
25 Donaghadee	366
26 Saucy Sue	10
27 Pretty Polly	2903

K.B.G.C. Draw.

The drawing of the Kowloon Bowling Green Club's sweep on the Derby resulted as under:

1 Folly	1321
2 Brigade Call	710
3 Home Call	110
4 Sunburst Rose	719
5 Grey Steel	1456
6 Fireworks	1476
7 Elm Leaf	471
8 Bay of Bellingham	553
9 Boston	725
10 Tacoma	507
11 San Diego	134
12 Total Abstinence	447
13 Rechabite	15
14 King of Troy	727
15 King of England	688
16 Dobbin	701
17 Glorious Dahlia	1038
18 Sunbeam Dahlia	712
19 Stalwart Dahlia	1489
20 Fantastic Dahlia	1117
21 Lady Love	515
22 Prince Charming	304
23 Craignav	140
24 Cultra	1373
25 Donaghadee	379
26 Saucy Sue	801
27 Pretty Polly	95

MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

The P. & O. s.s. "Mantua" left Shanghai for this port yesterday at 4 p.m. and is due here on March 5 at about 7 a.m.

The P. & O. s.s. "Khyber" from Hongkong, arrived London at March 1 at 8 a.m.

THE HONGKONG AMATEURS IN A PERSIAN SETTING.

(By "An Old Play-goer.")

Last night the local Amateur Dramatic club presented, not for the first time, a play written by Lord Dunsany. They appeared in the gay costumes of the gorgeous East. In the expressive slang of the modern "lads of the village" they managed to "put it across the footlights." Whatever we may think about the play itself, and opinions may easily differ about that, we shall all agree that the local amateurs presented and acted it splendidly.

We are made to realise immediately, in the opening scene, that our popular friends Mrs. Logan and Mr. Lucey possess all the advantage of long experience, and that they have great natural talent for work of this kind. They use every device common to the professionals and they show all the unostentatious finish of real artists. No sooner does Mrs. Logan fade away than Mrs. Greensmith, as an utterly different type of woman, persuades us again that we are watching the complete actress. These three are supported by others who are astonishingly good; and behind these figures on the stage that we see and whose words and actions impress and please there is the unseen but master hand of the producer.

Commander Hole has scored splendidly. He has, obviously, an ambition to go on to the stage, as well as to direct everything; indulges his whim for he makes a fleeting appearance as a juggler in the banquet scene. That may be excused. He has, however, wisely concentrated his energy and his ability upon the duties of stage-manager or general manager of the whole show. To win great success in any work you must concentrate. No doubt, Commander Hole could win local fame on the stage if he concentrated on the task of the actor. We are glad that he has chosen the less conspicuous but even more difficult task of the producer. What the local A.D.C. wanted beyond all else was a suitable successor to Mr. Sinclair. Some of us felt inclined to despair when that brilliant genius left the Colony. Of course, we miss him and shall never forget his wonderful efforts. Yet, with mixed feelings of delight, relief and just a little tinge of sadness, we must confess that even Mr. Sinclair was, after all, not absolutely indispensable. Commander Hole, if he has staying power, will probably earn as great a reputation as a producer as our friend who is now winning laurels in America. Anyhow he has made a good start. If a paraphrase will be excused, we can say, "The king has gone, long live the (new) King." The present combination of Messrs. Hole and Lucey with Mrs. Logan and Mrs. Greensmith is very good indeed.

The Great "If."

There is an old tag which runs something like the following words:—"If it is and ans 'There'd be no need of tinkers." Why the author selected his title unless it was to intrigue us, is difficult to understand. He might have called the play "A Wilful Woman" or "an obliging man." Any other name (they say) would not affect the scent of the rose; any title will do if the acting of a play pleases us.

This play is like many events in real life for it is not really one "if" but an infinite number of "ifs." So you can speculate about the probabilities of all of it or any portion of it just as much as you like. Fortunately we don't go to the theatre to worry ourselves about probabilities; we go to listen and to look.

We are reminded by Lord Dunsany's "If" of several other fantastic plays such as "Kismet," "Hassan," "The Brass Bottle," and even "Chu Chin Chow." Anything that deals with magic or Vizards or plots against the life of an oriental potentate, or passionate, beautiful and rascally ladies, must awaken memories of "The Arabian Nights." For "If" is mostly about love making and cruelty in Al Shaloonir.

There is also something about the play that makes us think of W. S. Gilbert's effort in "The Rose of Persia" but the wit of Gilbert is not there, nor is there the delightful music of that comic opera or, as it might be styled, musical comedy. Perhaps the local Philharmonic Society will be inspired by "If" to stage the really delightful but not well known "The Rose of Persia."

We refuse to worry ourselves about "If" the hero John Beal had caught a certain train would he have had all those adventures? We see that in the second act he does catch the train. We at once think him a fortunate fellow who finds adventure in a railway carriage; fortunate for he travels with a pretty lady, and any man worthy of the name likes to travel in a train with a pretty lady. Then the pretty lady begins to appeal to him

about having a window up and down; it is in such a situation that the ordinary human man really begins to enjoy himself. That is what the hero of this play (John Beal) does. She appeals to him about other difficulties. What he fails to realise, what thousands of men have failed to realise when they began to enjoy themselves under similar circumstances, is that pretty ladies are not only attractive but usually they are very imperious and often clever. We have such examples from many books; we may mention the cases of Delilah and Samson, Cleopatra and Antony, Queen Bees and the Earl of Leicester, and even the Chinese Empress Yehonhola and her masculine dupes. In this play the old, old story is played by the pretty lady, Miralda, and John Beal, the once sane man whose will is as wax in the sunlight of Miralda's smiles. He goes to Al Shaloonir (think of it as Persia to make it more real) in order to please Miralda; but Miralda is not the sort that is easily satisfied; she murders the ruler of Al Shaloonir named Ben Hussain to please Miralda; his brother Archie Beal is killed, but that does not seem to worry him because Miralda gets what she wants—power. And then Miralda conspires to murder him (John Beal) because she wants to be Queen. She throws over Beal for another man, a Vizier who proves himself to be an unscrupulous villain, a thoroughly bad lot. This Vizier is a passionate blackguard who is an oriental shell-like Don Juan and who while a dependant of the husband plots with the wife to murder the poor fool, John Beal.

John Beal escapes; we don't know what happens to Miralda, but we know what ought to happen to her; and also to her oriental lover.

John Beal gets back again to England and to the wife he married because he really did not catch the train and never knew Miralda or only met her and the rest of the Persian crowd in a dream, or lived for ten years in another existence while he was asleep for a few hours in his real home in a London suburb.

The Players.

Mr. Lucey takes the "star" part of John Beal and he is on the stage the whole time. It is a very trying part, but he is equally convincing as an ordinary, black-coated English citizen and as a gorgeously attired oriental potentate. You hear his every word; you are made to realise every change of emotion. It is a very fine effort and it is difficult to remember any other occasion in Hongkong when an amateur has had such a strenuous and varied part to play. As the Englishman he is typical, honest, a little stupid, but with the right suggestion of a longing for adventure in spite of his happy domestic life and his continual assertions of contentment. As the Englishman transformed into an oriental ruler he is a convincing mixture of adaptability, simplicity, honesty and resourcefulness. He proves to us that he is not such a fool as Miralda thinks he is.

Mrs. Greensmith as Miralda is very fine indeed. She seems just the wayward, attractive, and selfish English woman (that is, of course, not the typical Englishwoman) and she makes all men serve her. When she appears as the oriental who is Queen in everything but name, she is a cat-like creature; just such another as we all imagine was that oriental Queen, Cleopatra. Miralda is a woman without any scruples, which makes it hard to understand why she wants a "proper" marriage when her whole character is so obviously improper. Mrs. Greensmith, in the arms of her lover, the Vizier, is as accomplished an actress as was the lady who took the name part of "Saint Joan" in the wonderful trial scene when Shaw's play was staged by our local amateurs. She is also convincing in the train and in the tent.

Mrs. Logan as the (very) "proper" wife of John Beal does not get so many dramatic episodes, but she is just as she always has been—a very fine actress.

Mr. Roger Lindsell is a well-known and a popular man in Hongkong. His voice betrays him on the stage and we are glad that it does; our interest in the part is promptly kindled; we are not disappointed. We knew, as soon as we recognised the voice, that the part was in safe keeping; for Mr. Lindsell has plenty of confidence, great experience, of speaking in public and a commanding personality. This is, perhaps, his first appearance with the local amateurs; he must, in future, give them the benefit of his talents. As the Oriental servant, faithful to his master unto death if needs be, he is dignified and true to type.

Mr. Donald Logan was very sympathetic as the Eastern merchant (Mirda) lover of Miralda; it was a part that held the stage for only a short time but it was played so well that it marked this amateur as one who will carry on the family tradition in a worthy manner.

There are many others who take smaller parts, but they must have given up a great deal of time and study for this show. All of the pretty ladies at the banquet make us long to go to Al Shaloonir; the scenery and dresses are a blaze of colour. Mrs. Clemes is not only an artist in the design of the dresses but a conjurer to obtain the effect with the materials at her disposal. The dancing of Mrs. E. W. Hamilton, Miss Thwaites and Miss Jefford is very delightful. The singing of Mrs. Bowes Smith, Mrs. Hopkins and others is a treat in itself. As Phyllis of "Iolanthe" Mrs. Bowes Smith won great local fame and each time she appears in public she adds to it. Mr. Shelton, the Nubians, the Vizier, the jugglers, the railway porters—all of them are most entertaining. Especially must praise be given to those responsible for the stage effects.

There was a very fair attendance last night, but the theatre should be crowded during the other performances. The audience showed great appreciation. The "call" at the end gave us a last glimpse of a splendid grouping. That spectacle made us realise that there should be many more people on the stage in the banquet scene.

We are not able to describe them in detail, but great attention has been paid to colour, lighting and scenery.

As for "If" itself, although the title intrigues us, the idea that any black-coated Englishman may have wonderful adventures in strange lands compensates for that, we miss an oriental ballet; the binza of colours in the banquet scene makes us feel that we should like to see not only three but many pretty ladies dancing. There really should be a ballet. At moments we are inclined to wish that the play could be made into a sort of a musical comedy, or at any rate that more music should be introduced.

If there is not the poetry of "Hassan" or the real drama of "Kismet" in this play, there is plenty to please the most fastidious. It is, as the schoolboy says, "a show well worth the money." It will cheer us up for all the hint of the selfishness and evil in human nature. Let us then go to the theatre this week to enjoy ourselves. We shall also encourage our local amateur friends. We shall, moreover, be able to store our minds with happy memories that will help us through many a difficult moment of social intercourse. And we shall be able to congratulate, sincerely, our friends who have provided such a delightful evening's entertainment for us.

IDLE LIST.**DECLINE IN GREAT BRITAIN CONTINUES.**

(British Wireless Service.)

Rugby, March 2. The decline in unemployment continues. The latest weekly return shows a reduction of 13,428 in the number of persons out of work. The total figure is 1,125,800, which is 110,255 less than a year ago. In the last seven weeks unemployment has decreased by no less than 127,000.

LOCARNO PACT.**ADOPTED BY FRENCH CHAMBER.**

(Reuters Service.)

Paris, March 2. The Chamber of Deputies has adopted the Locarno Treaties by 413 votes to 71.

BRITISH BUDGET.**CHANCELLOR'S HOPES OF A SURPLUS.****STRONG AND SOUND.**

(British Wireless Service.)

Rugby, March 2.

Mr. Winston Churchill, Chancellor of the Exchequer, made a statement to-day about the coming Budget, which he will present to the House of Commons after Easter. He was speaking at Belfast, where the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws was conferred upon him by the Queen's University. Mr. Churchill said that notwithstanding the gloomy forecasts he had every expectation that the surplus of a little more than one million pounds which he had budgeted for would be realised. That, however, was apart from the coal subsidy, which must be met out of temporary borrowing.

At the same time, he was disappointed at not having succeeded in reducing the National Debt in the present financial year by the whole forty millions which the Treasury had set before itself as its prescribed task. But however much the country desired economy it did not desire to see the fighting forces reduced to impotence or to see the social life of the people suddenly lowered.

Taxation Reduced.

Mr. Churchill, continuing, said that the last four Budgets had been marked by large and continuous reductions of taxation. He would like that to continue, for nothing would be more beneficial to trade. In any case provided no great industrial upheaval occurred, we should get through the year 1926 in a creditable fashion without any unusual financial expedient and without having to re-impose taxation which would cripple trade. The financial position for Great Britain was strong and sound.

DUKE IN PRISON.**PENTONVILLE GETS SURPRISE VISIT.**

(British Wireless Service.)

Rugby, March 2.

H.R.H. the Duke of York, who takes the keenest interest in social questions, and who is constantly visiting every sort of establishment where he can study them, paid a surprise visit to-day to Pentonville Prison. He spent an hour and a half in inspecting the cells, workshops, and prison hospital.

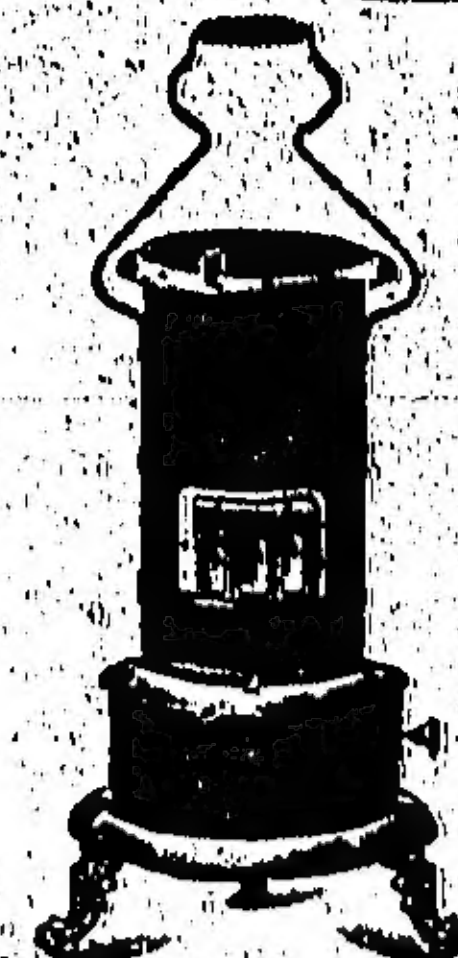
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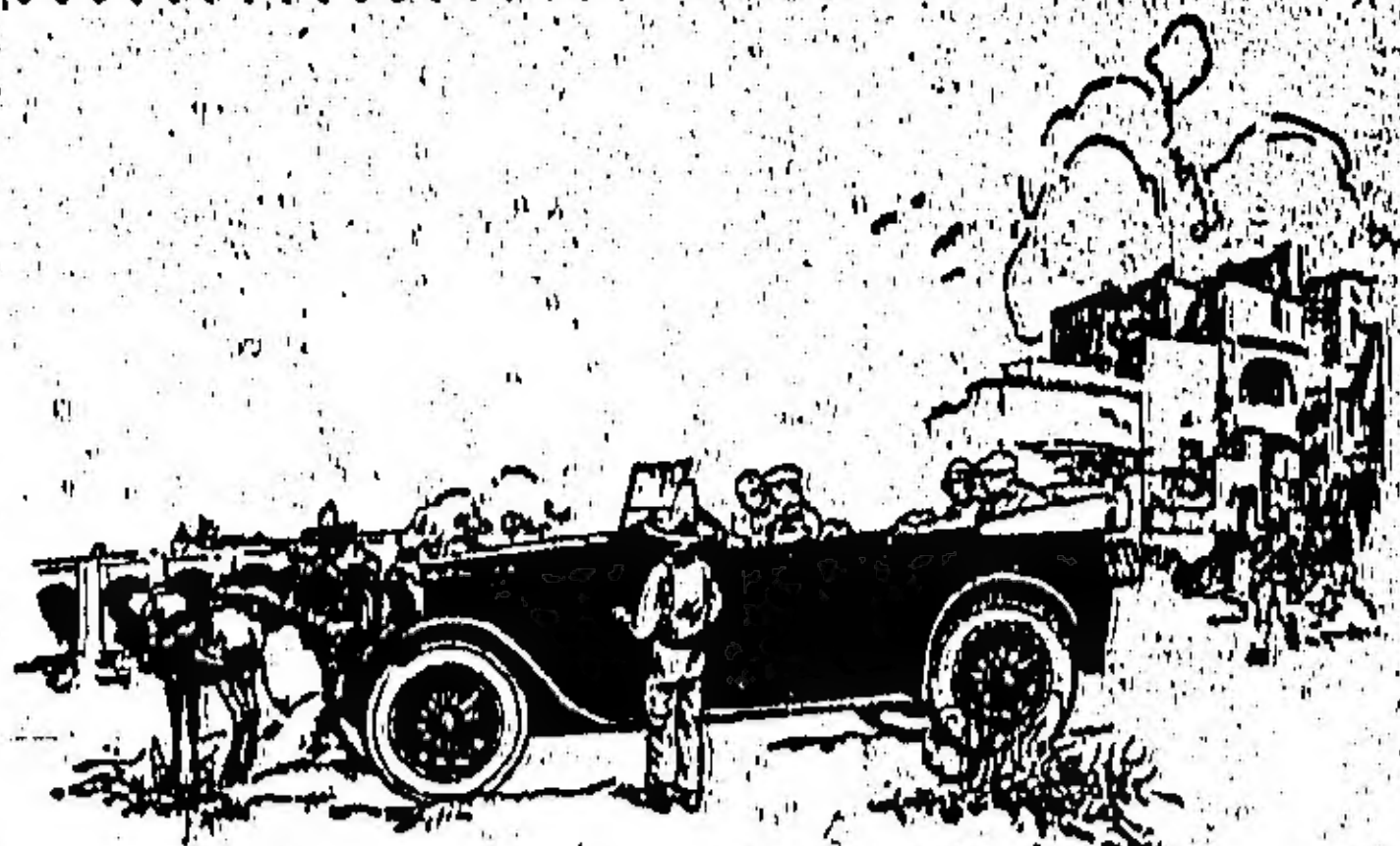
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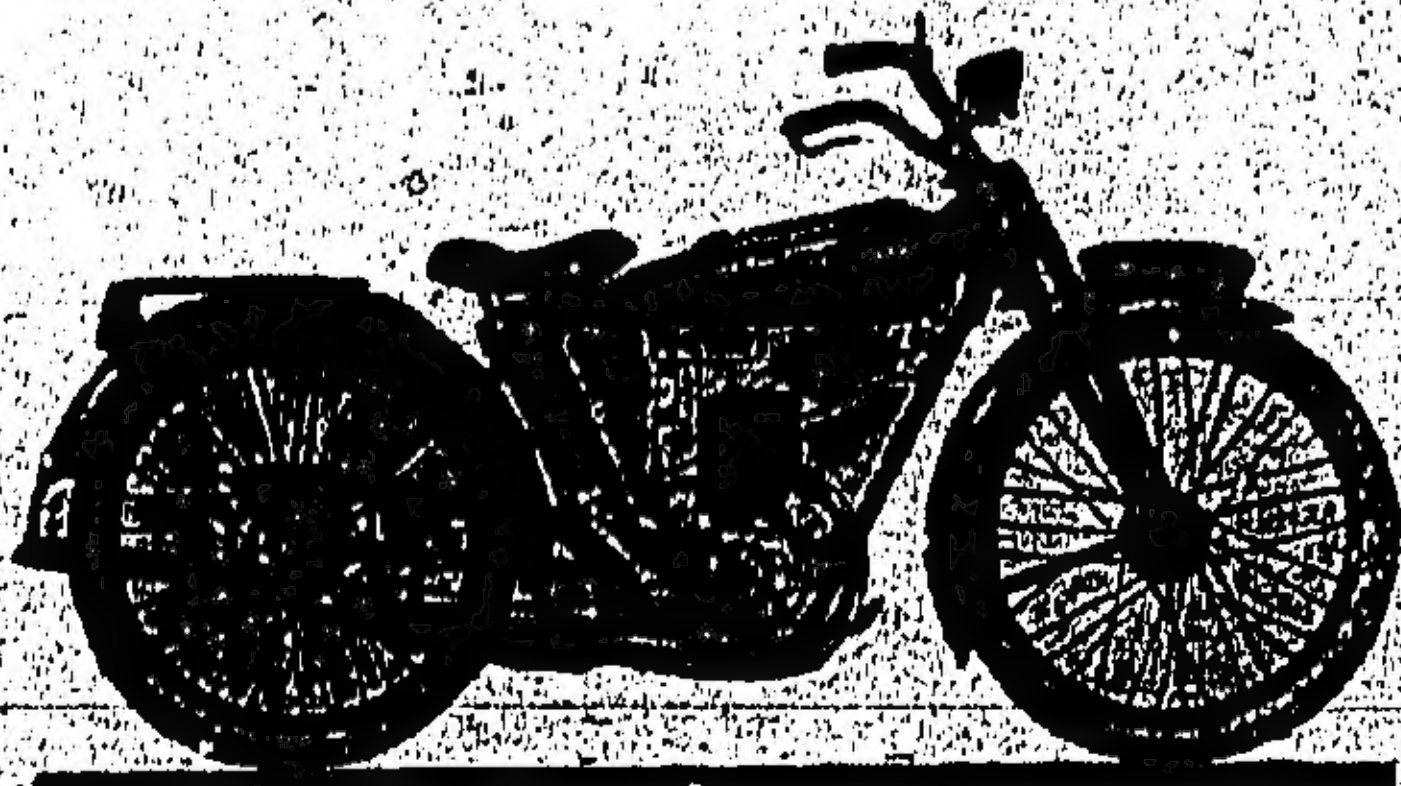
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LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The "Mores" is due here at 4 p.m. tomorrow.

Kobe contributed \$414-5-10 to the British Legion's Poppy Day Fund on Armistice day.

The Royal Naval athletic sports are to be held at Happy Valley on Friday next commencing at 2 p.m.

The Bishop of Victoria's opening study circle meeting on "Race Problems" took place on Sunday last at 9 p.m. at the Bishop's House. Sir Henry Pollock, Mr. Addis and the Rev. W. T. Featherstone were amongst those who took part in the discussion.

A team of Soviet footballers was recently making what was described as a "propaganda tour" in France. The players wear red shirts and march on to the ground with a military step and martial air, headed by the captain carrying the Red Flag, to the strains of the International. They were matched with a team of French "workers" at the Stade Perrier, near Paris. The Soviet team gave the better display and won by four goals to nil. According to the French Press, "their dribblings and play with the head gave them a clear advantage."

A shipping correspondent writes:—"We have often heard stories of the difficulties of American ship-builders in christening their ships without violating the Volstead Amendment, for the American seaman is as superstitious as any, and believes that bad luck will attend a ship that is not christened in wine. One American trader, however, seems to have got over the difficulty, for when Mr. Henry W. Breyer bought the steamship Hallford and gave her his own name he christened her in dry dock with a 10-pound jar of ice-cream, a commodity from which he has made the greater part of his fortune. Personally I have a taste for the romantic, and if it is not possible to christen her in wine I would rather have a ship named with a bottle of water than such a very messy substitute."

The record of rainfall during February, taken at the Botanic Gardens, shows a total of 2.58 inches. The highest total was on February 21, the figures being 1.08 inches. Rain fell on eleven days.

The pleasure of using the brain was seen in the case of the cross-word puzzle. — Dr. H. Wagar, H.M. Inspector of Schools, at the Educational Association's Conference.

After being fined for larceny at North London Police Court, a young woman threw her arms round the neck of a detective, kissed him, and thanked him for all he had done on her behalf.

The famous lampposts in the Champs Elysees, Paris, have only a short life, despite their imposing stature. Within the first week of 1926 nine lampposts were put out of commission by automobile within eighteen hours and within 300 feet of one another.

Twenty-five thousand applicants for French citizenship are now on the lists of the naturalization office awaiting examination. There are only three clerks in the office who are entrusted to decide whether or not the applicant is worthy of becoming a French citizen. Of the 25,000 applicants, 23 per cent are Russians, 13 per cent Poles, 12 per cent Italians, 8 per cent Rumanians, 6 per cent Belgians, 6 per cent Turks, 5 per cent Germans, 3 per cent Spaniards, 3 per cent Swiss and 2 per cent Greeks.

A good illustration of the industrial progress that has been taking place in recent years is the expansion of electric lighting and power plants. Prior to 1910 the use of electricity industrially in China was in an embryonic stage. To-day there are electric-power plants in Shanghai, Tientsin, Harbin, Hongkong, Hankow, Canton, and the other large cities, and the number of electric power and lighting plants combined in China is estimated at nearly 400. There are few towns of any importance that do not have a lighting plant.

The soil of France represents a total value of 144,000,000,000 francs, affording an annual revenue of 4,500,000,000 francs.

The French Smokers' League is protesting against the frequency with which tobacco in France is increased in cost to "plug various Government 'idiotic measures.' The league points out that the increase in the cost of French tobacco resulted in a falling off in sales of \$2,000,000 francs in December, 1925, alone.

Dancing has been added to the curriculum of the Paris Conservatoire de Musique, the directors of which until recently had displayed indifference to the art, although 80 per cent of them and their pupils had studied and composed dances music. The course of dancing lessons is of five years. Mme. Chasleas, was the first professor appointed.

The French Academy has chosen as the subject for its 1927 poetry prize the heroism displayed by French African troops during an engagement in Morocco. The incident to be dealt with took place July 25, 1925, when, after heavy skirmishing, a major saw a company of Senegalese retreating in good order before the advancing Rifians. The major, realizing that the men had lost heart over the death of their commander, immediately ordered them to "return to the ridge." Instantly the black soldiers straightened themselves, saluted and returned to the fight.

Light upon one of the darkest parts of Africa has been flung by the return of the Cape Town-Denver African expedition, which penetrated the heart of the Kalahari desert and the Kaoko veldt. Movies were taken of the natives and also of herds of big game, proving the Kaoko veldt the richest game country in the world. On one occasion the expedition counted 150 elephants gathered round a water hole; the members also saw herds of wild cattle numbering 15,000 head; leaving the dense forests in the daytime to escape the pest of flies, returning at night time. These immense herds were filmed.

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SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Mr. and Mrs. James Reed and family, left the Colony this morning on the Tenda.

Professor K. H. Digby and Mr. K. C. Mak have been elected President and Hon. Secretary respectively of the University Chess Club.

Dr. S. W. Tso, L.L.D. will kindly distribute the prizes to the students of Sacred Heart English School on Sunday, March 7 at 3.30 p.m.

The Hon. Mr. D. W. Tratman, Secretary for Chinese Affairs, has consented to open the new extension of the Kwong Wah Hospital on March 5.

Mr. L. Forster, Registrar, will temporarily lecture on the History of Education, the Philosophy of Education, and other subjects, at the University.

The Court Chamberlain of Sweden has felt it incumbent on him to contradict a rumour that Princess Astrid of Sweden, who is about to visit England, will shortly be engaged to the Prince of Wales.

The Rev. and Mrs. C. N. MacKenzie leave to-day on the Hector for England. Mr. MacKenzie has for many years been stationed at Pakhoi as a C.M.S. missionary, and it is not likely that he will return, owing to ill health.

General Emilio Aguinaldo, leader of the insurrections against Spain and the United States, has been unanimously re-elected President of the Filipino Veterans. The election is of considerable political significance as Aguinaldo is extremely influential and opposes immediate separation from the United States.

Fifteen hundred people at the Winter Gardens, Margate, recently listened spellbound to a twelve-year-old boy who played the violin with astonishing mastery. He is Walter Scott, and comes from Sheffield. Noted musicians who have heard his playing prophesy a great future for him. His rendering of an exciting work by Kreisler was remarkably mature. The boy has brilliant technique, great confidence, and his playing is distinguished by elegance of style. He received six ovations at the end of his recital.

A small girl of seventeen with bobbed hair and a short skirt, who gave evidence against a man at Tottenham Police Court, was mistaken by the magistrate for a child, and he ordered the court to be cleared.

"I want to be buried in the red frock coat in which I used to go fox-hunting," were the last words of Count Joseph Gyzko, who died in Vienna, aged sixty-four. Count Gyzko married Miss Eleanor Patterson of Chicago, daughter of Robert W. Patterson and a cousin of Joseph Medill McCormick, in 1904.

In the course of his farewell speech to the European Association at their annual dinner recently, the Viceroy said that Calcutta had been founded by British enterprise, developed by British energy and perfected by British and Indians working together, and now stood as a great monument of civilisation and culture. Calcutta was a happy fusion of the various interests of the two races for a common purpose, and in that they could not but find a happy augury for the future.



Mr. Z. M. Landowne, who was the commander of the British expedition, is happy following the verdict of the investigation that Landowne and his crew, at the sight of the Prince of Wales, had a sudden change of heart. Mr. Landowne carried on a spirited fight to clear his name.

Mr. W. H. Tate, of Talsing, will be going home in the near future. Mr. Tate counts 41 years residence in Malaya, all of which has been spent in Perak, a somewhat unique record.

Replying to an address of welcome presented to him in Calcutta by the Indian mercantile community, Lord Inchoape expressed his firm belief in trusting the man on the spot.

A monument to Sarah Bernhardt will be erected in Paris. The City Fathers have voted 10,000 francs toward the subscription fund which has been opened to pay for a memorial to the famous actress.

At the last meeting of the Council of the Royal Colonial Institute 28 resident fellows, four undergraduates, 42 non-resident fellows and 42 Associates elected, amongst them being the following from British Malaya: J. W. S. Anderson (Singapore) and G. W. Wong (Kuala Lumpur).

Lady Astor's system of attaching labels to each guest at her receptions, which are famous for the presence of leading politicians, statesmen and artists, has been adopted and improved upon by other London hostesses. The latest is to fix a label with a coloured ribbon to the lapel of a man's coat or to the corsage of a lady's dress with either a name printed on it or the title of a book or work of art by which the guest is best known. No introductions are asked for and none given in the modern London salon.

Complete accord on the fine points of jam making is partly responsible for the fondness of Queen Mary for Princess Astrid, niece of the King of Sweden, who is expected to be a guest this spring at Buckingham Palace, and who, in the belief of those close to court circles, may become Princess of Wales. The Queen, who was taught to cook by her mother and the Princess exchanged jam recipes during one of the latter's visits in London. Marmalade from the Princess's formula was served at the palace on afternoon when the Prince of Wales dropped in for tea, and the comment upon its delicious flavour was asked his mother where she had obtained it.

"CHINA MAIL" SPORTS PAGE

EASY VICTORY.

"ASHES" TEAM PLAYS IN TASMANIA.

MAILEY'S BOWLING.

(Reuter's Service.)

Launceston, March 2.

In Tasmania the Australian Test team won the first of two try-outs, beating Tasmania an innings and 176 runs. Scores—Tasmania (1st) 104 runs. A.A. Mailey took 5 wickets for 48 runs. Australia (1st) 475 runs. W. M. Woodfull made 147, C. G. Macartney 66, J. M. Taylor 66, W. H. Ponsford 68, T. J. E. Andrews 48. Tasmania (2nd) 196 runs. Mailey took 5 wickets for 69 runs and J. M. Gregory 4 for 90.

VARSITY CRICKET TEAMS.

The following will represent Dr. R. Ponsonby Fane's XI in a match against H.M.S. "Hawkins" on Sunday, at the University ground at 11 a.m.—Dr. R. Ponsonby Fane, A. S. Hett, A. A. Ramjahn, Ng Siew-kong, T. E. Yeoh, H. N. Balhatchet, C. W. Lam, D. Laing, S. Hachumun, W. M. Gittins and E. P. Ng.

Arts v. Engineering.

The following will be the teams in the Arts v. Engineering inter-faculty match to-day on the Pavilion ground at 2 p.m.—

Arts:—E. P. Ng, (captain), Dr. R. Ponsonby Fane, H. N. Balhatchet, A. S. Hett, T. E. Yeoh, H. Y. Leong, S. Hachumun, W. H. Shing, E. Zimmerman, S. V. Gittins and A. N. Other.

Engineering:—W. M. Gittins (captain), H. C. Hunt, J. L. Young, S. O. Shahabuddin, T. W. Cheong, T. Tajima, A. J. Hazeland, A. Saleman, H. T. M. Barma, A. Aziz and S. Karman.

JOCKEY MOBBED.

(via Colombo.)

Paris, Feb. 12.

Because the favourite which he was riding made a false start and lost the race, a jockey named Dussaux was severely mauled by enraged backers at Vincennes racetrack. The Owners' Association and the Jockeys' Union will participate in the forthcoming Police Court proceedings.

BOXING.

CHINA SQUADRON, SECOND DAY.

RESULTS OF 3 SECTIONS.

The China Squadron boxing tournament second day's results at Murray Barracks open ring last night (under usual Service conditions, of 3 round bouts) were:—

Championships. Bantams: L. S. Hanson (Vindictive) 115, beat A. B. Workman (Durban) 113½. Lights: St. Dore (L2) 180 k.o. A. B. Coster (Hawkins) 127 in round 2; L. St. Everett (Robin) beat A. B. Quick (Hawkins) 190½. Walters: St. Reynolds (L3) 145 beat L. S. Darbyshire (Vindictive) 146; P. O. Meen (L9) 144½ beat Bugler Jones (Vindictive) 144½. Light-heavy: L. St. Whittall (Durban) 171 k.o. L. St. Felling (Hawkins) 164½ in round 1.

Officers. Welvers: Sub-Lt. Andrew (Vindictive) 147 beat Mid. Rowe (Hawkins) 142. Heavyweights: Pay Sub-Lt. Nixon (Vindictive) 168 beat Mid. Kinloch (Despatch) 166.

Novices. Feathers: A. B. Rowe (Vindictive) 125 beat A. B. Appleton (Iroquois) 124; Boy Turner (Vindictive) 124½ beat Sig. Bennett (Vindictive) 121. Lights: O. D. de Gay (Durban) 130 beat A. B. Broadhurst (Vindictive) 133½; A. B. Quick (Hawkins) 130½ beat St. Miles (Ambrose) 130½ in round 1.

Welters: St. Perkins (Vindictive) 141½ beat Sig. Syner (Famar) 139. Middleweights: A. B. Sanders (Hollyhook) 152 beat St. Roberts (Vindictive) 158½; Sig. Marshall (Hawkins) 154½ beat St. Cook (Vindictive) 159.

Light-heavyweights: A. B. Buckmaster (Hawkins) 164 beat Boy Yates (Despatch) 173.

HAMMOND'S FIELDING.

Hammond's five catches in one innings in the M.C.C.—West Indies match confirms all that has been written about the Gloucestershire professional's brilliant fielding. Five catches in a match is a notable feat, but five in one innings of a representative game must be exceptionally rare. This performance, with his batting, 238 not out, points to Hammond, who is not yet 23, as a prospective member of the England side next summer.

HOLIDAY CRICKET.

VOLUNTEERS DEFEAT THE ROYAL NAVY.

YESTERDAY'S MATCH.

By 121 runs, the Volunteers won their cricket match yesterday, on the Club ground, against the Navy. Owen Hughes (52) hit 2 sixes and 7 fours and Fincher (56) got 6 fours. Woodward (5 for 15) twice took two wickets with successive deliveries. The R.N.V.D.C. were 218 for 5 and 24 runs were added for the 6th and 7th wickets, the last three producing no runs. The Navy lost 4 wickets for 9 runs. Halsey (72) and Woodward (22) made a stand for 79 runs; the former had 3 sixes and 11 fours. Although knocked about, Sayer took 4 wickets.

Volunteers. J. C. Lyle, b. Bennett 50. A. W. Ramsay, b. Cantrell 8. C. B. Sayer, c. b. Cantrell 8. E. J. R. Mitchell, b. Halsey 51. H. Owen Hughes, not out 52. E. C. Fincher, b. Woodward 56. S. Jax, b. Woodward 20. H. V. Parker, b. Woodward 4. Woodward 0. G. E. Lammer, c. Simms, b. Woodward 0. A. C. I. Bowker, c. and b. Woodward 0. Extra 20. Total 237.

Bowling Analysis. O. M. R. W. Cantrell 13.8 73 2. Halsey 36.2 84 1. Woodward 6.5 15 5. Bennett 8 0 37 2. Gilman 3 0 12 0. Stephenson 2 0 19 0.

Royal Navy. Pay Lt. Husey, c. Owen Hughes, b. Lyle 0. Lt. Clifford, c. Bowker, b. Lyle 0. Mid. Stephenson, b. Bowker 5. Lt. Halsey, c. Fincher, b. Sayer 72. Lt. Col. Cantrell, b. Bowker 22. Pay Com. Woodward, b. Sayer 20. Mid. Simms, b. Parker 6. Lt. Robertson, b. Parker 2. Sub-Lt. Gilman, c. Parker, b. Sayer 1. Mid. Dicken, not out 0. Eng. Lt. Bennett, b. Sayer 0. Extra 8. Total 116.

Bowling Analysis. O. M. R. W. Bowker 30.4 19 2. Lyle 7 2 23 2. Parker 9 2 18 2. Owen Hughes 1 0 15 0. Sayer 7 0 33 4.

HONGKONG POLICE.

THREE INSPECTORS TO RETIRE.

SATURDAY'S DEPARTURES.

Three officers of the Hongkong Police Force are about to retire after many years of useful service. They are Divisional Inspector R. Langman, now at Headquarters, Sub-Inspector A. J. Moody, of the Kowloon Water Police, and Divisional Inspector T. Cashman, in charge of the Water Police Station. Inspectors Langman and Moody leave on Saturday by the s.s. "Mantua," while Inspector Cashman has booked passage by the s.s. "Kashmir" sailing next week.

Inspector Langman. Divisional Inspector Robert Langman, a native of Kilkenny, has seen 19 years' service, rising from a Lance Sergeant to that of Inspector in 1923. He was in charge of Yaumati in 1923 at the time of the raid on armed robbers when two European officers, two Chinese detectives and three robbers were shot.

Inspector Moody. Inspector Moody is leaving with the option of staying, within a certain period, whether he wishes to, or definitely retire. He desires to see conditions at home during his ten months' leave before reaching a decision.

Inspector Cashman. Sub-Inspector A. J. Moody, a native of Dartford, Kent, has completed 19 years' service and for the past 11 years has been in the Water Police.

He has had a varied Army career before enlisting in the local Police, having seen seven years' service in the Grenadier Guards and he also went through the Boer War.

Inspector Moody intends to settle down in Surrey.

Inspector Cashman. Divisional Inspector T. Cashman has completed 23 years' service. He was recruited at the I.R.C. Depot, Dublin.

Serving at practically every station, he has seen the process of development of Hongkong and Kowloon from the early days.

On reaching home, Inspector and Mrs. Cashman, with their four children (all born in Hongkong), will make Cork their future home.

Other Departures. Also sailing by the "Mantua" on Saturday on holiday is Mr. P. P. J. Wodehouse, C.I.E., and Mrs. Wodehouse. Others leaving on the same vessel on holiday include Inspector Robert Richard Langman (brother of Divisional Inspector Langman), Sergeant Bright (Central) and Sergeant Stewart (Water Police).

An intimation has been received from the Hongkong and Shanghai Hotels that the Cunard liner "Laconia" is due to sail from Hongkong on March 20 at about 7 p.m.

LEAVES TO-DAY.



Mr. Reid, late manager of "Hawkins" Dockyard, who leaves Hongkong on the s.s. "Landa" at 5 p.m. to-day after 17 years' connection with the Colony and the Dockyard. He entertained friends on board this morning.

Among those who went on board to say farewell were: Commodore A. J. B. Stirling, Mr. K. E. Gray, who has succeeded to the position of manager of the dockyard, Capt. Chief Engineer Powell, Chief Constructor Mr. T. S. Gillingham, Mr. R. H. Cousins, (assistant manager of the dockyard), Mr. R. M. Dyer, Professor C. A. Middleton Smith, Mr. G. M. Shaw, Mr. A. K. Henderson.

Mr. and Mrs. Reid together with their two children, are proceeding to Australia, and then to Canada, leaving Canada on the "Empress of France."

A COMPROMISE?

WAY OUT OF THE LEAGUE CONTROVERSY.

CLAIMS OF OTHER STATES.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, March 2.

Well informed circles in London are sanguine of a satisfactory outcome of the controversy over the League of Nations Council and foreboding a compromise probably on the lines mentioned in the Berlin message of February 24.

They express the opinion that after Germany's admission at the forthcoming session of the Council a Commission will be appointed to report on the claims of other States and present recommendations in time for the Assembly meeting in September.

[The Berlin message of February 24 stated: "According to several papers, which are anticipating 'dramatic incidents' at Geneva, Germany will not object to discussing the question of enlargement after she has become a member of the Council as at present constituted, but she will strongly object to entering a different Council from that which existed when she applied for membership. Government circles in no way betray similar perturbation. They are credited with being confident that everything will proceed smoothly, that Germany alone will be given a seat on the Council, and that further reconstruction will not be settled before the September session when Germany will be ready to discuss the question in a spirit of conciliation.]

Press Unnerved? London, March 2. Sir Austen Chamberlain's speech yesterday has led to a lively renewal of Press criticism against the reconstruction of the League Council at the forthcoming meeting, other than the submission of Germany.

The "Manchester Guardian" says that the British Government, unfortunately, seems to be almost the only Government whose policy cannot be predicted with precision. It suggests that the Government is divided on the question, and declares that the demand that Sir Austen Chamberlain be allowed to go to Geneva without guidance or instructions is horrifying.

The "Daily Chronicle" asks if the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs has personally committed himself to support the French scheme of "packing" the Council against Germany.

The "Westminster Gazette" which comments on the secrecy attending yesterday's meeting, and mentions that the few members who disagreed with Sir Austen Chamberlain's plea that the proceedings should be private and confidential, says that his statement was received coldly, and created a bad impression.

The Gazette adds that he clearly indicated that he favoured a larger Council, and conveyed the impression that he favoured the claims of Spain and Poland to enter simultaneously with Germany.

The "Daily Express" likewise comments on the meeting's cold reception of Sir Austen's expressed desire, to go to Geneva with "all doors left open."

A Sane View. The "Daily Telegraph" says that the opposition which is raised here is on grounds wholly unrelated to our domestic politics, and is equally free of all suspicious bias in the international sphere. The question is whether the serious crisis in the affairs of the League and progress of the policy of European appeasement initiated at Locarno shall be avoided, and we are entitled to assume a force of consideration which we do emphasize, has been taken into account by the Government, and we are confident as regards the nature of its decision.

The "Daily News" accuses Sir Austen of still championing a proposal in the teeth of almost the unanimous opinion of Britain which undoes the effect of Locarno, by quite needless exasperation of the very feelings which Locarno soothed.

Germany's Case. Hamburg, March 2. "It was unimaginable that anyone would at the last moment risk destroying the great achievements of last year's policy, and all the prospects which Germany's collaboration in the League opened by opposing Germany's standpoint on the question of permanent seats on the Council," said the Chancellor, Dr. Luther, in a speech in the Hamburg Senate, in which he explained that Germany took for granted that no important changes would be made in the constitution of the Council before Germany's entry. Germany does not stand alone in her view, and this strengthens the hope

LOCAL SHARE MARKET.

OFFICIAL QUOTATIONS.

Hongkong, March 3, 1926, 10.30 A.M.

Name.	Hongkong Stock Exchange.	Hongkong Sharebrokers Association.	Foreign Exchange.
T.T. on London	247½	247½	247½
T.T. on Shanghai	78½	78½	nom.
Hongkong Bank	106½	106½	\$1030 b.
do. London	112½	112½	—
Chartered Bank	221½	221½	\$124 n.
Mercantile Bank A. & B.	220½	220½	—
do.	211½	211½	—
P. & O. Bank	204½	204½	—
Bank of East Asia	97½	97½	\$73 b.
Marine Insurance	—	—	—
Canton Insurance	600	600	\$600 s.
China Underwriters	—	—	1.80 b.
North China Insurance	145 n.	145 n.	—
Union Insurance	273 b.	273 b.	\$273 b.
Yangtze Insurance	44 b.	44 b.	—
Fire Insurance	—	—	—
China Fire Insurance	165 b.	165 b.	—
H.K. Fire Insurance	530 b.	530 b.	530 b.
Shipping	—	—	—
Douglases	30 s.	25 b.	27 s.
Hongkong Steamboats	10 b.	10 b.	21 s.
H.K. Tugs & Lighters	24 b.	24 b.	20 b.
Indo-China (Ref.)	38 n.	38 n.	37 n.
do. (Ref.) Ltd.	50 s.	50 s.	50 s.
do. (Ref.) Ltd.	—	—	—
Oriental Navigation	250 n.	250 n.	—
Shell Transport	90½ b.	97½ b.	95½ n.
Star Farries	85½ b.	85½ b.	85½ b.
Water-boats	16 b.	16 b.	16½ b.
Refineries	—	—	—
China Sugars	27 b.	27 s.	28 b.
Malacca Sugars	39 n.	35 n.	50 n.
Mining	—	—	—
Benguet	1½ n.	—	—
Kallian Mining Ad.	42½ b.	45½ n.	47½ n.
Langkats (Combined)	23 b.	23 b.	7 33 b.
do. (Single)	—	—	—
Shanghai Exploration	12 n.	12 n.	—
Shanghai Loan	5 s.	5 s.	—
Raubs	7 n.	7 n.	—
Tronoh Mines	85 b.	85 b.	6 n.
Ural Caspians	55½ b.	55½ b.	—
Docks, Wharves	—	—	—
Godowns, &c.	—	—	—
H.K. & S. Wharves	110 b.	110 b.	\$110 b.
H.K. & S. Docks	55 b.	55 b.	56 b.
Hongkows	716½	716½	165 b.
New Engineering	7 n.	7 n.	634 b.
Shanghai Docks	103 s.	108 s.	100 b.
Lands, Hotels & Bldgs.	—	—	—
H.K. & S. Hotels (old)	884 b.	884 b.	884 b.
do. (new)	—	—	—
Hongkong Lands	63½ b.	63½ b.	64½ b.
H.K. Realty	54 s.	54 s.	54 s.
H.K. Territorials	54 s.	54 s.	54 s.
Humphreys Estates	124 b.	124 b.	124 b.
Princes Building	120 s.	120 s.	—
Rural Lands	7 s.	7 s.	—
Cotton Mills	—	—	—
Ewo Cottons	—	—	—
Oriental	10 b.	10 b.	10 b.
Shanghai Cottons (old)	54 b.	54 b.	55 s.
do. (new)	28 b.	27 s.	27 s.
Miscellaneous	—	—	—
Canton Ices	57½ n.	57 n.	57 n.
Cements (comb.)	14 b.	14 n.	14 b.
do. (old)	12 n.	12 n.	12 b.
do. (new)	12 n.	12 n.	12 b.
China Buses	10½ b.	10½ b.	10½ b.
China Lights (comb.)	10½ b.	10½ b.	10½ b.
do. (old)	10½ b.	10½ b.	10½ b.
do. (new)	10½ b.	10½ b.	10½ b.
China Prov. (comb.)	9 b.	9 b.	9 b.
do. (old)	7½ b.	7½ b.	7½ b.
do. (new)	7½ b.	7½ b.	7½ b.
Dairy Farms	154 b.	154 b.	154 b.
Der A. Wing (full pd.)	10 n.	10 n.	10 n.
do. (part pd.)	—	—	—
Hongkong Amusements	11½ b.	11½ b.	11½ b.
H.K. Constructions	3 b.	3 b.	3 b.
Hongkong Electric	56 b.	56 b.	56 b.
H.K. Developments	25½ n.	24½ n.	25½ n.
H.K. Ropes (comb.)	37 s.	37 s.	37 s.
do. (old)	13 b.	13 b.	13 b.
do. (new)	13 b.	13 b.	13 b.
Hongkong Tramways	22 3/4 b.	22 3/4 b.	22 3/4 b.
Lane, Crawford	12 n.	12 n.	12 n.
Macao Electric	20 n.	20 n.	20 n.
Mackintosh	20 n.	20 n.	20 n.
Nanyang Tobaccos	21½ n.	21½ n.	21½ n.
Peak Trams (old)	17½ b.	17½ b.	17½ b.
do. (new)	17½ b.	17½ b.	17½ b.
Sinceres	7 n.	7 n.	7 n.
Singapore Trams	11 s.	11 s.	11 s.
Axis	4 s.	4 s.	4 s.
United Asbestos	20 n.	20 n.	20 n.
do. (Founders)	—	—	—
do. (Ordinary)	—	—	—
Watsons (old)	12 s.	12 s.	12 s.
do. (new)	12 s.	12 s.	12 s.
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H.K. Telephone	3½ b.	3½ b.	3.60 s.

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NOTE FROM DIPLOMATIC CORPS.

"DEPLORABLE SITUATION."

(Reuter's Service.)

Peking, March 3.

The Senior Minister on Saturday last sent a Note to the Wai-Chiao-Fu (Chinese Foreign Affairs) saying:—

"I am desired by my colleagues to draw your Excellency's attention to the deplorable situation which has arisen in Canton in connection with the illegal action of the so-called Strike Committee in seizing cargo discharged from ships in harbour before such cargo reaches the Customs House, with the result that the Customs authorities have had to suspend the loading and discharge of all cargoes pending the cessation of this illegal interference, alike with foreign trade and with the functions of the Chinese Customs."

"Whilst assuring your Excellency, on behalf of my colleagues, of their desire to ensure as far as possible the authority of the Chinese Customs administration, I am further desired to request, with a view to the resumption of the trade of the port, with the least possible delay, that immediate steps be taken to put a stop to these illegal activities of the so-called Strike Committee, who are unwarrantably infringing the treaties between China and the foreign Powers concerned."

(Signed) OUDENDIJK.

Government Inactive.

Canton, March 2.

Canton is quiet superficially, but generally the state of affairs is chaotic. The Canton Government has not stopped the pickets from taking possession of various goods belonging to different nationals, principally Germans, which had been returned to the Customs.

CHINA'S WARS.

MUKDEN WAR LORD TO TAKE OFFENSIVE.

PREPARATIONS COMPLETED.

(Reuter's Service.)

Peking, March 2.

Up to the present not much has occurred to indicate whether Marshal Chang Tso-lin is giving anything more than moral support in the anti-Kuomintang campaign, but recent despatches from Mukden hint at military activities in Manchuria.

Marshal Chang Tso-lin, it is stated, has given orders for the immediate recapture of Luanchow, and Chang Hsueh-liang's departure for Chinchow on Monday appears to lend colour to the theory that the Mukden forces are about to resume the offensive.

Drive on Peking. Peking, March 3. Later reports state that Chang Hsueh-liang left Chinchow for Shanghai on Monday.

The Mukden army will be divided into two forces, one of which will be under the command of Chang Hsueh-liang and make a drive on Peking, whilst the other will co-operate on an attack on Tientsin.

Meanwhile Li Ching-lin is stated to have completed preparations for the resumption of the offensive.

RAILWAY MERGER.

TERMS NOT JUST AND REASONABLE.

OFFICIAL BAN.

(Reuter's American Service.)

Washington, March 2.

The Inter-State Commerce Commission has found that the proposed combination of the New York, Chicago & St. Louis, Chesapeake and the Ohio, Hickory Valley, Erie, and Pennsylvania Railways is not in the public interest. It is stated that the terms proposed for the transaction are not just and reasonable.

IRISH HOPES.

LOYALTY AND UNITY SOME DAY.

NO MORE SUSPENSE.

(British Wireless Service.)

Rugby, March 2.

In his speech in Belfast Mr. Winston Churchill, Chancellor of the Exchequer, made reference to the political situation in Ireland. He said that he cherished a hope that some day all Ireland would be loyal and united, and that the British Empire would be united within itself and united to the British Empire.

"You may believe that this is only a dream," he declared, "but it is my belief that the Irish question has entered on a stable phase, and that the suspense, apprehension, and dread of disturbances have passed away."

NATIONS' NAVIES.

VESSELS BUILT AND BEING BUILT.

(Reuter's Service.)

A Blue-book indicates that the navies of the nations, in respect of vessels built and being built, are as under:—

	Built	Building	Total
America	548	36	579
British Empire	444	37	479
France	219	127	346
Italy	247	55	302
Japan	222	62	284
Russia	176	30	206

ORIGIN OF GOODS.

BILL INTRODUCED IN THE COMMONS.

(British Wireless Service.)

Rugby, March 2.

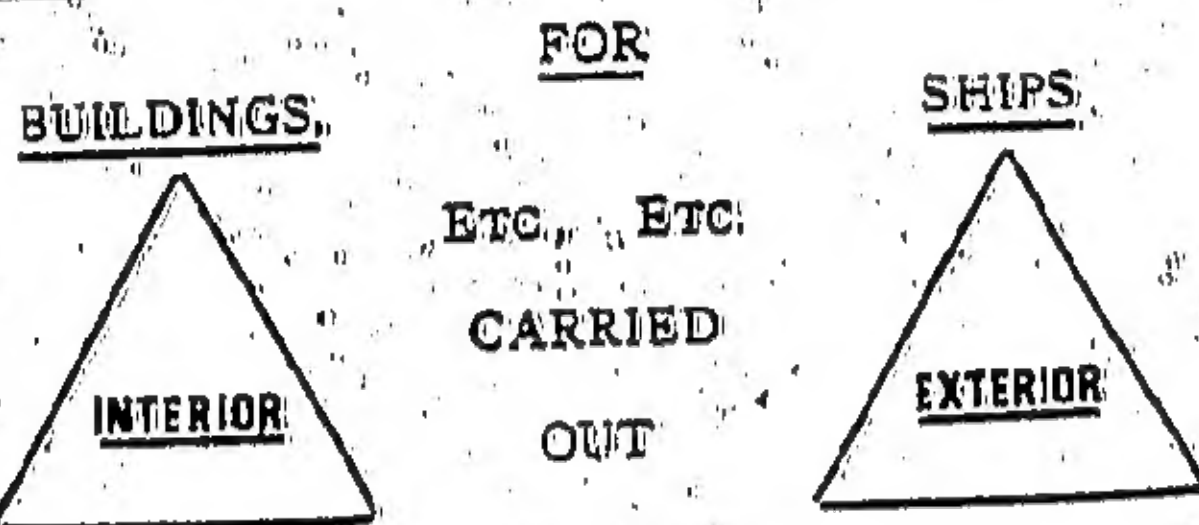
Sir Philip Cunliffe-Lidder, President of the House of Commons, introduced a Bill requiring the House to enquire into the origin of goods in the case of certain imported goods.

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Invited to luncheon by Arthur W. Henry, her wealthy husband, Mrs. Grace Henry, of New York, was served with divorce papers during the course of the meal.



Dr. Adolph Lorenz, famous Vienna "bloodless surgeon."



Miss Evelyn Weidmann took her three silver kittens to the Atlantic City Show, New York, in her handbag, and won a blue ribbon.



ANDREW MELLON, THOMAS WALSH & JOHN GARIBALDI SARGENT (Below) SENATOR REED

Senator Walsh, Montana, "opened fire" on the alleged "aluminum trust," demanding a Congressional investigation of failure of the Department of Justice, headed by Attorney-General Sargent, to act. Secretary of Treasury Mellon and his family are said to own control of the aluminum industry in America. Senator Reed, Pennsylvania, refused to consent to the investigation at first, but later changed front.



KING FEISAL OF IRAQ

King Feisal, of Iraq, would like to quit his job and drive a taxicab in London, he is said to have recently confessed while in a confidential mood.



Mr. and Mrs. Irving Berlin, the jazz composer and wife of a romantic marriage, are likely to be in Europe.



Mrs. Eva Kunacher, who claims she has the "will of God," and is able to reflect it through her body, decries publicity given the young Hindu, Krishnamurti, hailed by his followers as the "New Messiah."



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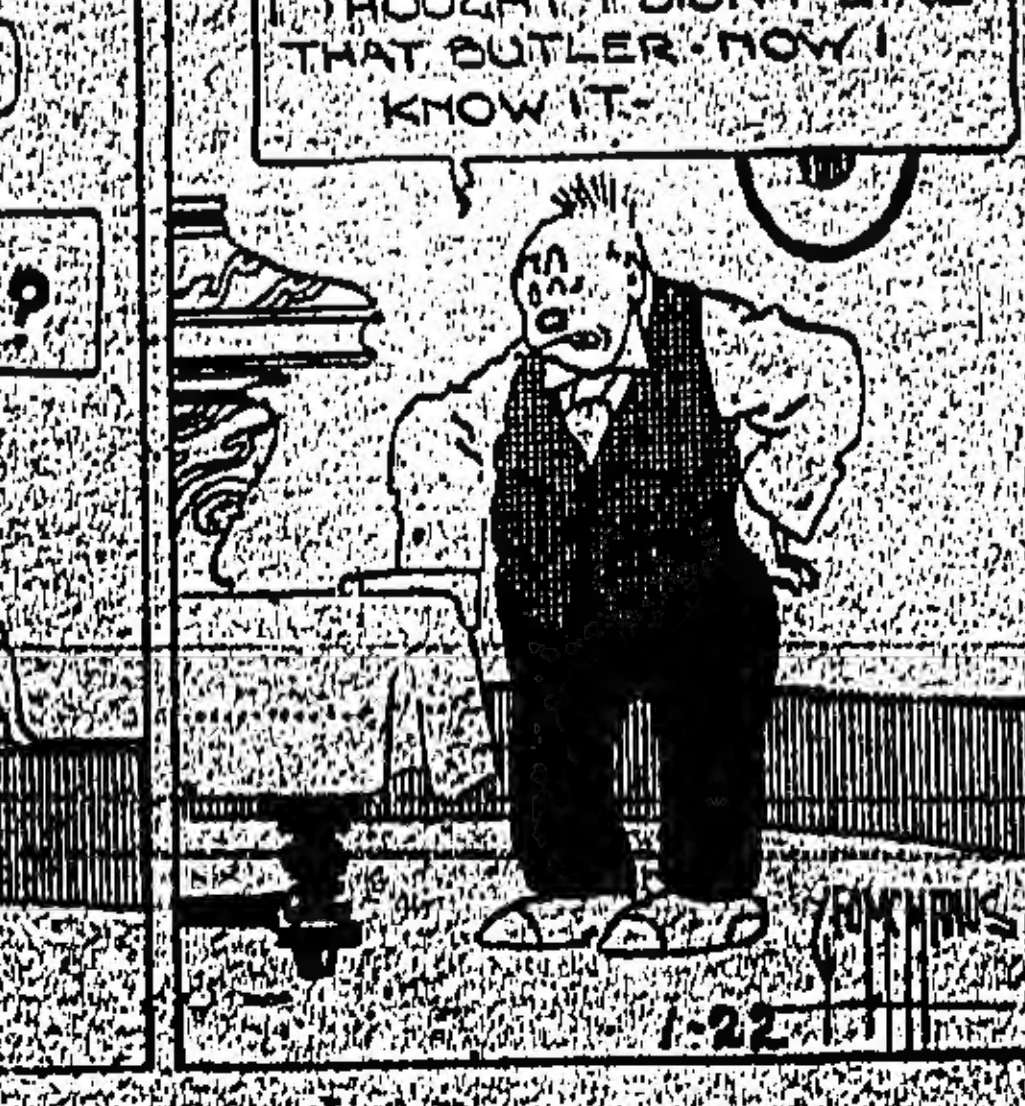
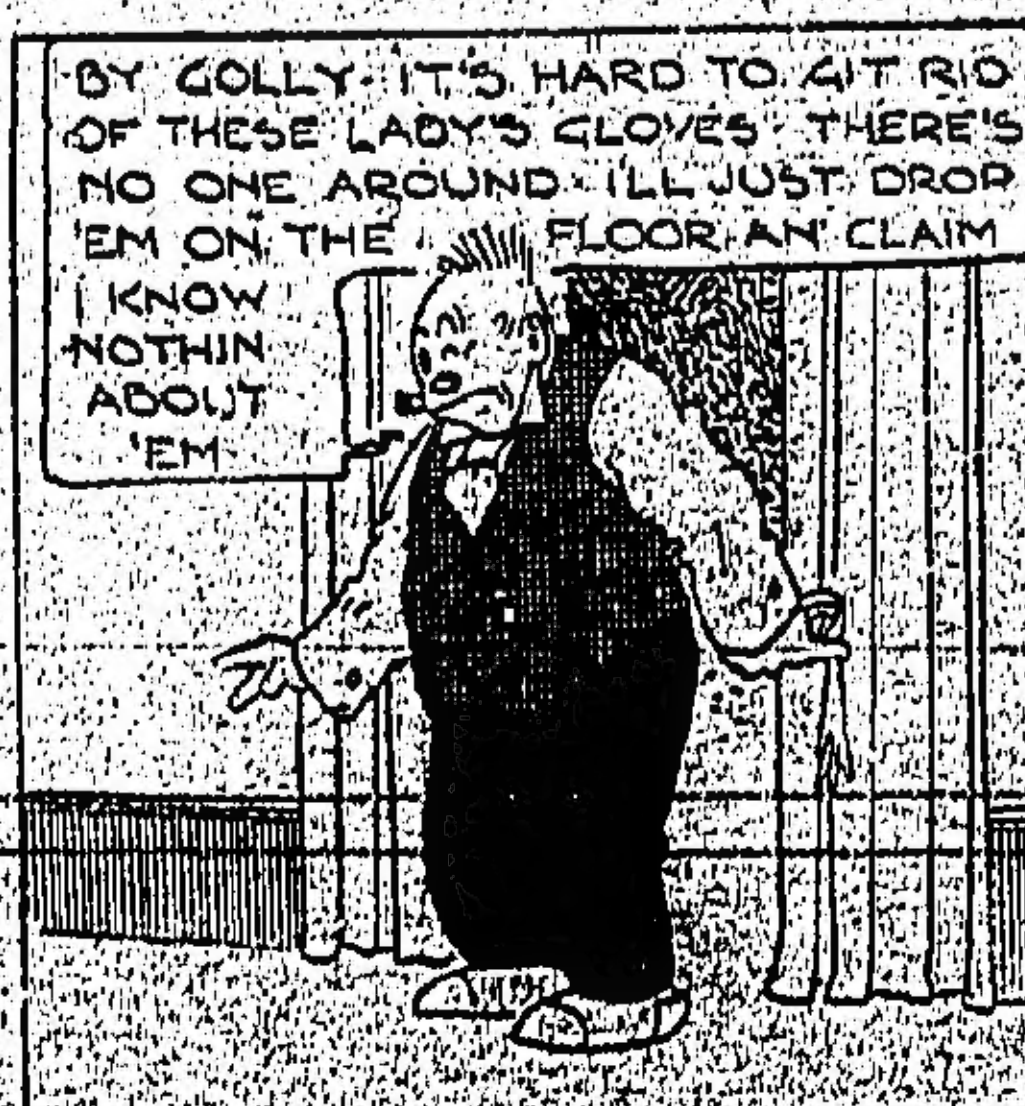
Alexander P. Moore, recently U.S. Ambassador to Spain, Cass Gilbert, famous architect, is planning a new bridge across the Hudson River from Washington Heights to Port Lee. President Haerberlin has just assumed his duties as head of the Swiss Republic. Congressman Stephen G. Porter has a bill asking \$1,000,000 to build U.S. embassies in foreign countries.

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ODDS AND ENDS



St. Paul's Shorthand Writer.

A thesis submitted to the University of Chicago claims that St. Paul employed a shorthand writer, who took down his Epistles in shorthand, a fact revealed through recent studies of the Greek papyri containing the original scriptures. The thesis also cites a contract of A.D. 155 in which an ex-magistrate of Oxyrhynchus apprenticed his slave to a shorthand writer to show that shorthand in those days was a definitely established trade. The forms of the writing, it is stated, have not been definitely ascertained.

Air Squadron Badge.

The only Air Force squadron permitted by the Air Ministry to have a distinctive device is the County of London (Bombing) Squadron, one of the two London auxiliary air squadrons now being formed. This device—the sword of London piercing a pair of pilot's wings, the colours being crimson on a white ground—is used as a badge and will appear side by side with the national device on the fuselage. The badge was designed by the College of Heraldry. The squadron has a complete establishment of officers, and other ranks are being filled at a satisfactory rate.

U.S. President Stamp.

The first stamp to bear a portrait of the late President Wilson was issued by the United States on his birthday, December 28. The stamp is printed in black and is of the value of 17 cents (1895). The portrait chosen for reproduction was selected by Mrs. Wilson as her favourite. It was at first suggested that the portrait should appear on the new 10-cent stamp (thirteen being President Wilson's "lucky number"), but a portrait of Benjamin Harrison, President of the United States from 1889 to 1892, will now be used for the 10-cent design.

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Dede Watts, hailed as England's "perfect flapper," has refused offers to star in American films. She is a direct descendant of Dick Whittington.

Fifty Years' Service.

Fifty years in a newspaper composing room constitutes no mean record says the "Christian Science Monitor"; and it is little wonder that Andrew B. Adair, who has just completed his half-century with the "Chicago Daily News," should feel properly proud of that fact. He has given expression to his sentiments in a pamphlet addressed to his associates and fellow workers and issued simultaneously with a special sixty-four page anniversary number of the paper, with which he has thus been identified from its inception. For the first regular issue of the News was published on Jan. 2, 1876, and Mr. Adair was employed as "lay" the "dress" of type, and to set the first type composed for the paper, the railroad time table.

Club Man (thinking to josh the Negro hat checker, noted for his memory): "That's not my hat, Uncle."

"Maybe not, boss," was the reply, "but it's the one you wore in here."

Lower Flat: "Who is the chap who rings your doorbell so vigorously every morning?"

Upper Flat: "He's a piano tuner, trying to collect a bill."

Lower: "Way don't you pay him?"

Upper: "He ruined the piano so my daughters can't play on it."

Lower: "Send him down to me. I'll pay him."

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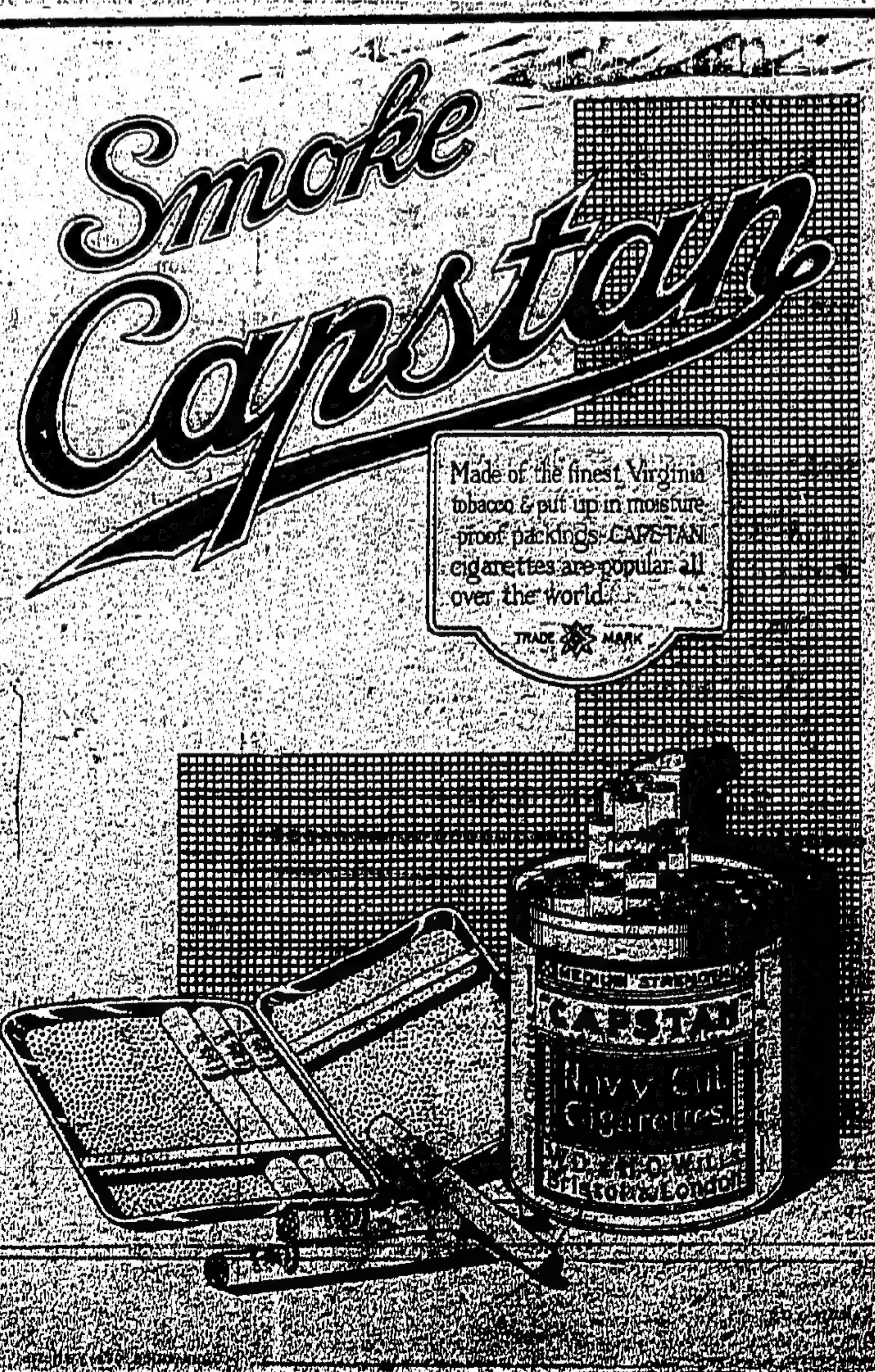
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 Manila, Sandakan, AUSTRALIA and New Zealand via Thursday Island Pres. Wilson
 Thursday Island 10th Mar. Parcel 5 p.m. Registration 6 p.m. Letter 6 p.m.
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 Port Sayang Tokyo 11.30 p.m.
 Straits Tokyo 11.30 p.m.
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 Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., Central and South America, & EUROPE via Victoria, B.C. - due Victoria B.C. 3rd Mar. Parcel 10 a.m. Registration 10.15 a.m. Letter 11 a.m.
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Agenda.—To receive the Committee's Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1925. To elect a Committee for the Year ending 31st December, 1926. and for such other business as may occur.

E. S. C. BROOKS, Acting Hon. Secretary and Hon. Treasurer, 9, Queen's Gardens.

The Acting Hon. Secretary will be pleased to receive the names of those persons willing to serve on the Committee for the current year. Hongkong, March 1, 1926.

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the interest and responsibility of Mr. JAMES FRANCIS WRIGHT Senior, in our firm ceased on the 28th day of February, 1926.

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